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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Lynn Gordon Ponivas of Alton, who passed away on September 30, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, He was born December 14, 1942, in Buffalo, New York, to Hugh and Agnes Dora (Bargmann) Ponivas; he served his country as a yeoman in the Navy during the Vietnam War, and the Navy Reserves as a Chief Petty Officer; and

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WHEREAS, He served as a Lutheran schoolteacher in various schools in Illinois and Missouri, as a driver for JB Hunt, as an AAL representative, and as a church custodian at various times in his life; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Audrey (Ponivas) Cooley; his brothers, Bruce Ponivas and Floyd Ponivas; and his father-in-law, Gilbert Theiss; and

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WHEREAS, Lynn Ponivas is survived by his wife, Nancy (Theiss) Ponivas; their sons and daughters-in-law, Bram and Jenn Ponivas, CPT Drew and Bethany Ponivas, and MMI John and Ambyre Ponivas; his grandchild, Eli Ponivas; his brothers and sister, Clyde Ponivas, Shirley (Ponivas) Hayes, and Russell and Linda Ponivas; his sister-in-law, Ernelle Ponivas; his

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1 sister-in-law, Kathy (Theiss) and Dan Schoenherr; his
2 brother-in-law, Gilbert Theiss Jr.; his mother-in-law, Viola
3 (Gerler) Theiss; and numerous nephews, nieces and extended
4 family; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
7 his family and friends, the passing of Lynn Ponivas; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Lynn Ponivas as a symbol of our
11 sincere sympathy.